

REMARKS

As a result of this amendment, claims 1-4, 14, and 17 have been amended. It is believed that this amendment will clarify the present invention.

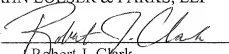
CLAIM REJECTIONS – 35 USC 112

The Examiner has rejected claims 1-7 and 14-17 under 35 USC 112 as being indefinite for using the term "naturally derived carrier fluid". The applicant has now amended the claims to specify that the carrier fluid comprises a fluid derived from at least one of sorghum, cane, sugar beet, corn, soybean, and lumber. The first two sentences of paragraph [0010] state: "In the preferred embodiment, the naturally derived viscous carrier fluid is molasses. Molasses compositions are produced from sorghum, cane, sugar beet, corn, soybean, or lumber (lignin) products."; which provides support for this amendment.

It is believed that the present amendment clarifies and distinguishes the present invention over the cited references and that entry of the amendment will put the claims in a condition of allowance.

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